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SUBJ: EQUATORIAL GUINEAN PRESIDENT VISITS NORTH KOREA, VIETNAM,
AND PRC

1. SOEECAM, THE GOVERNMENT DAILY PRESS BULLETIN, CARRIED BRIEF
ITEMS ON SEPTEMBER 21 AND 22 COVERING CURRENT TRIP OF PRESIDENT
MASIE PREFERRED SPELLING NGUEMA OF EQUATORIAL GUINEA TO NORTH
KOREA, VIETNAM AND PRC.

2. PEKING, SEPT. 21 (AFP) QUOTE: PRESIDENT MACIAS NGUEMA OF EQUA-
TORIAL GUIJEA ARRIVED HERE YESTERDAY AMID AN UNUSUAL DEPLOYMENT
OF CHINESE SECURITY FORCES. THE AFRICAN LEADR, WHO ARRIVED HERE
AFTER OFFICIAL VISITS TO NORTH KOREA AND VIETNAM, WAS GREETED AT
THE AIRPORT BY CHAIRMAN HUA KUO-FENG AND VICE-PREMIER LI HSIEN-NIEN.
IN CONTRAST WITH PREVIOUS VISITS HERE BY FOREIGN HEADS OF STATE, A
LARGE NUMBER OF PLAIN CLOTHESMEN, MILITIA AND UNIFORMED POLICEMEN
WERE STAKED OUT ALONG THE JOTE TAKEN BY THE PRESIDENTIAL CORTEGE.
OBSERVERS BELIEVED THAT THE SECURITY MEASURES, TIGHTER THAN THOSE
IMPOSED DURING FORMER U.S. PRESIDENT GERALD FORDS VISIT HERE, WERE
TAKEN BY PRESIDENT NGUEMAS REQUEST. END QUOTE.

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3. PEKING, SEPT. 22 (REUTER) QUOTE: THE PRESIDENT OF EQUATORIAL
GUINEA HAS USED A STATE BANQUET IN PEKING TO TO ACCUSE THE
SPANISH GOVERNMENT OF ATTEMPTING TO KILL HIM AND OVERTHROW HIS
WEST AFRICAN GOVERNMENT. PRESIDENT MACIAS NEGUEMA LONG LAUNCHED HIS
BETTER ATTACK ON SPAIN IN A TOAST AT THE BANQUET TUESDAY NIGHT
IN THE GREAT HALL OF THE PEOPLE, WHICH ALSO SAW DIPLOMATS FROM
THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS ALLIES WALK OUT FOR THE SECOND SUCCESSIVE

NIGHT AS CHINA SCATHINGLY CONDEMNED MOSCOWS ROLE IN AFRICA. END QUOTE

4. THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED CAMEROON TRIBUNE IN ARTICLE OF 22 ND
POINTS OUT THAT THIS STATE VISIT IS THE FIRST TIME THAT MASIE
NGUEMA HAS VISITED CHINA. IT IS NOTED THAT THE CHINESE MAINTAIN
IMPORTANT DIPLOMATIC AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION MISSIONS IN E.G.
AND THAT DISCUSSIONS SHOULD CENTER AROUND FURTHER ECONOMIC AND
TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE ARTICLE REPORTE
THAT THE CHIEF OF STATE OF NIGER, LT. COL. SEYNI KOUTCHE, ALSO
ARRIVED IN CHINA ON THE 18TH AND THAT SOVIET, EAST EUROPEAN AND CUBAN
REPRESENTATIVES WALKED OUT OF A RECEPTION FOR PRESIDENT KOUTCHE
WHEN LI HSIEN-NIEN DENOUNCED THE SOVIETS AT A RECEPTION ON THE 19T
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5. NOTE: ALL REFERENCES TO THE PRESIDENT OF EQUATORIAL GUINEA ARE
TO MASIE NGUEMA BIYOGO NEGUE NDONG WHO HAS RLANGED HIS NAME AND
THE SPELLING THEREOF MORE THAN ONCE.
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